



Week ending March 23, 2007

Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the Community Members:

## **CITYWIDE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT**

The *Citywide Weekly Report* highlights various activities throughout the City for the week. Consistent with our mission to ensure equal access to opportunity, education, and quality of life for every man, woman and child regardless of their race, religion, age or socio-economic status, this report will work to organize our weekly achievements so that we can measure and maximize our management and performance toward reaching our goals. It is our intent that this report will help to improve communications about the programs and services provided to both the City Council and the community.

Please contact the Public Affairs Department at 559-621-7777 with any questions.

## **MAJOR WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Police**

- Operation Bulldog suppression efforts have resulted in more than 1,700 felony arrests of Bulldog gang members with 40% being on parole and sent back to state prison. As a result of these efforts, Fresno has had a 52% reduction in gang related shootings this year compared to last year. Additionally, the department is actively working toward implementation of GPS monitoring of Bulldog gang members.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS and PROJECTS**

### **Public Utilities**

- On April 25<sup>th</sup>, Recycling Coordinator, Patti Toews will host a governmental workshop for government officials, discussing the increasing diversion legislation, landfill issues, and other topics surrounding the future of AB 939.

### **Transportation/FAX**

- On Saturday, March 31, 2007, FAX will hold its 2007 Bus Roadeo at the FAX Yard in the Municipal Service Center (MSC). Bus Operators will have the opportunity to demonstrate their skills driving through an obstacle course. They will also be judged on their appearance, demeanor, and safety. The driver with

the highest score will represent FAX at the APTA International Rodeo competition in Nashville, Tennessee on May 6, 2007.

## **WEEKLY NEWS**

### ***KEY RESULT AREA: PUBLIC SAFETY***

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#### **Fire**

- From March 16 through March 22 at 1500 hours, fire crews responded to 616 incidents.

### ***KEY RESULT AREA: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT***

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#### **Economic Development**

- Staff from the Economic Development Department attended training offered by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC). In addition to improving Fresno's business retention and expansion program, successful completion of the training will fulfill another requirement for earning certification for staff, and accreditation for the Department.

### ***KEY RESULT AREA: CUSTOMER SERVICE***

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#### **Parks and Recreation**

- As of March 19, 2007, 890 job seekers have been hired from the October 2006 Mayor's Job Fair.
- The PRCS Literacy program attendance for the last week was 417, with Winchell leading in attendance at 112!

#### **Planning and Development**

- Planning and Development hosted 2 workshops for the community on Wednesday, March 21 to discuss the Streets Impact Fee Nexus Study. Seventy plus developers, non profits and government agencies were in attendance. Adoption of the Nexus study is scheduled to go before council on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Public Works**

- Installed 18 ADA Wheel Chair Ramps.
- Poured 66.5 cubic yards of concrete in District 4, tree damaged areas.
- Completed crosswalk from City Hall across Tulare to Promenade Lot.
- Installed two Wheel Chair ramps and cut through a Median Island.
- Street Tree - Responded to 18 emergency tree calls.
- Street Sign - Installed Thermoplastic at Heaton Elementary School.
- Painted 18 miles of white lane line. Maintained 426 Street signs.
- Cleaned 2.7 million sq. ft. of landscaping.
- Sprayed 6.1 million sq. ft. of landscaping.

## **Transportation/FAX**

- FAX is pleased to announce the addition of Route 40 which serves southeast Fresno (East Butler/South Maple/East Church) and connects with FAX Route 33.